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# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA **BIG STONE GAP DIVISION**

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JULIA C. DUDLEY, CLERK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

Case No. 2:19 CR5

MITCHELL NORBERT NICHOLAS

Violations: 18 U.S.C. §§ 115, 876

# **INDICTMENT**

# **COUNT ONE**

The Grand Jury charges that:

1. On or about November 5, 2018, in the Western District of Virginia and elsewhere, MITCHELL NORBERT NICHOLAS knowingly deposited in any post office or authorized depository for mail matter, to be sent or delivered by the Postal Service and knowingly caused to be delivered by the Postal Service according to the direction thereon, a communication addressed to United States District Judge Curtis Gomez, a United States judge, and containing a threat to injure the person of the addressee or of another.

2. All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 876(c).

### **COUNT TWO**

The Grand Jury charges that:

1. On or about November 5, 2018, in the Western District of Virginia and elsewhere, MITCHELL NORBERT NICHOLAS knowingly deposited in any post office or authorized depository for mail matter, to be sent or delivered by the Postal Service and knowingly caused to be delivered by the Postal Service according to the direction thereon, a communication addressed to United States Magistrate Judge Ruth Miller, a United States judge, and containing a threat to injure the person of the addressee or of another.

2. All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 876(c).

#### **COUNT THREE**

The Grand Jury charges that:

- 1. On or about November 5, 2018, in the Western District of Virginia and elsewhere, MITCHELL NORBERT NICHOLAS threatened to murder United States District Judge Curtis Gomez, a United States judge, with the intent to impede, intimidate, and interfere with such judge while engaged in the performance of official duties, and with the intent to retaliate against such judge on account of the performance of official duties.
- 2. All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 115(a)(1)(B) and 115(b)(4).

# **COUNT FOUR**

The Grand Jury charges that:

- 1. On or about November 5, 2018, in the Western District of Virginia and elsewhere, MITCHELL NORBERT NICHOLAS threatened to murder United States Magistrate Judge Ruth Miller, a United States judge, with the intent to impede, intimidate, and interfere with such judge while engaged in the performance of official duties, and with the intent to retaliate against such judge on account of the performance of official duties.
- 2. All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 115(a)(1)(B) and 115(b)(4).

A TRUE BILL, this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2019.

/s/ Grand Jury Foreperson

THOMAS T. CULLEN United States Attorney